## **MEMORANDUM**

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS CTC Meeting: May 17-18, 2023

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.5e.(3), Action Item

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Subject: SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY SUPPORT PHASE

PPNO 2799F/EA 1J911 - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY -

**UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 101** 

**RESOLUTION FA-22-70** 

## **ISSUE:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the California Department of Transportation's (Department) request for an additional \$2,883,000 in Capital Outlay Support (COS), for the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Drainage System Restoration project on United States Highway 101 (US 101), in Santa Barbara County, to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase?

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department recommends that the Commission approve this request for a COS supplemental funds allocation for this SHOPP project.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project is located on US 101 near the City of Carpinteria, at the Ventura County line, in Santa Barbara County. The project will remediate fish passage by improving the creek bed and invert modifications.

## **FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING STATUS:**

In May 2021, this project was split from its parent project (PPNO 2799/EA 1J910) and the PA&ED phase was programmed in the SHOPP and received allocation for \$1,000,000 for completion in Fiscal Year 2023-24. The PA&ED phase is ineligible for G-12 funds. The PA&ED phase is currently 30 percent complete, with a remaining budget of \$446,000, which is insufficient to complete the phase.

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#### **REASON FOR COST INCREASE:**

After the project was split, additional resources were identified due to the size and complexity of the drainage system as it relates to fish passage remediation. The project required analyzing several alternatives and various footprints.

This culvert location was split from its parent project and programmed as a long lead due to environmental constraints that would impact the parent project delivery schedule. The project will be addressing a larger portion of the culvert at Rincon Creek that needs to be replaced and includes upstream channel work that will widen and install rock weirs. The length of the upstream work is approximately 500 feet from the inlet of the existing culvert. Some of this work will require areas outside the existing drainage easement. Therefore, additional time is needed for completing the hydraulic analysis. The fish passage design has been contracted out to a consultant and it requires a hydraulic study which is time intensive and has increased the needs for additional funds and time. As a result of the increased footprint of the fish passage alternatives currently being studied, additional field studies and consultations with resource agencies will be required. If this request for additional funding is approved, the Department anticipates completing the remaining PA&ED activities by March 2025.

## **CONSEQUENCES:**

If this allocation request for supplemental funds is not approved, the Department will not be able to complete the PA&ED phase to address critical deficiencies of rehabilitation and fish passage associated with the existing culvert and will need to develop a new project initiation document with the information that has been gathered to date. The project will need to be reprogrammed in a future SHOPP cycle which could lead to the potential of a project cost increase.

## **FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:**

Resolved, that \$2,883,000 be allocated to provide funds to complete the PA&ED phase for this SHOPP project.

Attachment

CTC Financial Vote List May 17-18, 2023

# 2.5 Highway Financial Matters

Project # Allocation Amount Recipient County Dist-Co-Rte Postmile	Location Project Description	PPNO Program Phase Program Code Project ID Adv Phase EA	Original Amount	This Supplemental Request
2.5e.(3)	COS Supplemental Funds for Previously Voted Project Resolution FA-22-70			
1 \$2,883,000 Department of Transportation Santa Barbara 05-SB-101 R0	Near Carpinteria, at the Ventura County line. Outcome/Output: Remediate fish passage by Improving creek bed and invert modifications. (Long Lead Project)	05-2799F SHOPP PA&ED 20.10.201.151 0521000086 0 1J911	\$1,000,000	\$2,883,000